Minutes of the Waukesha County Criminal Justice Collaborating Council Pretrial Subcommittee Monday, August 18, 2008

The meeting was called to order at 11:20 a.m.

Present: Chair JoAnn Eiring, Mike Giese, Martin Binn, Sam Benedict, Brad Schimel, and Diane Kelsner.

Also present: Karen Phillips.

Approve minutes of June 24, 2008

MOTION: Schimel moved, second by Binn, to approve the minutes of June 24, 2008.

Motion carried unanimously.

Follow-Up / Update of OAR Workgroup Project

Kelsner stated that no progress has been made on the creation of the OAR form.

Further Discussion RE: OAR Amendments

Kelsner recapped the initial ideas of the proposed OAR form and reviewed the previous discussions regarding improvements for disposition of OAR cases. Schimel stated he would not be supportive of a proposal that would allow disposition of more OAR cases at the court commissioner level; it may encourage people to take the easy way out, pay a fine and not attempt to obtain a license. Benedict stated it would be helpful to know the defendant's status at the first court appearance and what they need to do to reinstate their license. It would be better to have accurate information and not base it on what the defendant says. Eiringstated that WCS has access to DOT information using the PARS system. Eiring stated she would check how much work and time it would take to check the DOT records of the defendants. Schimel suggested expediting the process by emailing the drafted OAR complaints to WCS for follow-up with the DOT – PARS system. Eiring stated the contact person at WCS would be Sara Schilling at sschilling@wiscs.org.

Binn reiterated the points of the discussion thus far regarding OAR amendments for clarification purposes. Further discussion ensued regarding the OAR Program issues. Schimel stated he would confer with Steve Centenario regarding the ideas discussed and they would address the issues at their upcoming staff meeting.

Brainstorming Areas in System Which Need Improvement and Possible Solutions

Eiringdiscussed the SCRAM program and whether it could be implemented in Waukesha. She stated that although it is very expensive to run the program, it is a great deterrent. Discussion continued on possible ways of funding of the SCRAM program.

Future Meeting Date

The next meeting was set for Tuesday, September 23, 2008 at 11:30 a.m.

The meeting adjourned at 12:15 p.m.